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Response to Non-Final Office Action
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The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1-56. (Canceled)

57. (Currently Amended) A method for sealing a fuel supply, wherein the fuel supply comprises a valve, an outer casing including a first opening, and an inner liner including a second opening, the method comprising the steps of:

- (i) inserting the valve of the fuel supply into the second opening of the inner liner;
- (ii) attaching the valve to the inner liner by press-fitting such that the second opening of the inner liner is placed outward toward outer casing by the valve body for improving the retention of the inner liner inside the outer casing;
- (iii) securing the inner liner and valve to the outer casing; and
- (iv) attaching the valve by heat directly to the outer casing.

58. (Canceled)

59. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 57, wherein the method of attaching in step (iv) comprises the step of ultrasonic welding.

60. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 57, wherein the outer casing comprises at least one ledge and the inner lining comprises at least one snap-fit, wherein step (iii) further comprises the step of advancing the inner liner until the at least one snap-fit engages with the at least one ledge.

61. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 57, wherein the inner liner comprises at least one barb and the outer casing comprises at least one slanted inside wall, and wherein step (iii)

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further comprises the step of advancing the inner liner until the at least one barb engages with the at least one slanted inside wall.

62. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 57, further comprising the step of:
(v) rendering the inner liner fuel-resistant.

63. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 62, wherein step (v) comprises the further steps of:

- (vi) fabricating the inner liner from a polymer; and
- (vii) fluorinating the inner liner.

64. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 62 wherein the polymer is low-density polyethylene.

65. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 62 wherein the fuel is methanol.

66. (New) The method of claim 57, wherein a portion of the inner liner is held by the valve and a portion of the outer casing proximate the first and second openings.